

## **Profile**

Renu Khator has served in the dual posts of Chancellor of the University of Houston System and President of the University of Houston since 2008.

As Chancellor, she oversees a four-university system that serves nearly 76,000 students, has an annual budget that exceeds \$1.8 billion and has a \$6 billion-plus impact on the Greater Houston area's economy each year.

As President, she is the chief executive officer of the University of Houston, the UH System's flagship, Tier One institution.

Khator is the first female chancellor of a Texas higher education system and the first Indian immigrant to head a comprehensive research university in the United States.

## **Education**

- Ph.D. 1985. Purdue University (Political Science/Public Administration)
- M.A. 1975. Purdue University (Political Science)
- B.A. 1973. Kanpur University, India (Liberal Arts)

## **Honors and Awards**

### Honorary Doctorates

- Doctor of Letters, honoris causa, from Swansea University, Wales, UK (July 2014)
- Doctor of Social Sciences, honoris causa, from Purdue University (May 2009)

### Selected Honors

- American Academy of Arts and Sciences (2020)
- Hall of Honor, UH Athletics (2018)
- Council of Fellows/Fidelity Investments Mentor Award, American Council on Education (ACE) (2018)

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- Humanitarian Award, Latino Learning Center, Houston (2017)
- E. Joseph Savoie Chief Executive Leadership Award, CASE District IV Chapter (2017)
- Phi Beta Kappa, UH Chapter (2016)
- Real Role Model Award, William A. Lawson Institute for Peace and Prosperity (2016)
- Texas Women's Hall of Fame (2016)
- Women of Influence Award, National Council of Jewish Women, Houston Chapter (2015)
- Excellence in Leadership Award, U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (2015)
- Hero Award, Change Happens (2014)
- Pride of India Award (2014)
- Civil Rights Hero's Award by Anti-Defamation League of Houston (2014)
- Rotary International Paul Harris Award (2014)
- President's Award, NASPA (2014)
- Pravasi Bharatiya Samman, highest honor bestowed upon non-resident Indians, awarded by the President of India (2014)
- President of the Year, Association of College Unions International (2014)
- President of the Year, ACUI (2013)
- Women in Science, BioHouston (2013)
- Award of Excellence, American Association of Indian Professionals (2012)
- International Executive of the Year, Greater Houston Partnership (2012)
- Executive Communicator of the Year, IABC Houston (2012)
- Texas Executive Women "Women on the Move" (2010)
- Achievement Award, Association of American Physicians of Indian Origin (2010)
- Arrival Award, recognizing immigrant achievement, UH Law Center Immigration Clinic (2009)
- Outstanding Americans by Choice Award given by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services to recognize outstanding achievements of naturalized U.S. citizens, December 2007.

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- Hind Rattan (Jewel of India) Award given to Indians living abroad for making outstanding contributions in their field, presented in New Delhi (2007)
- Distinguished Alumnus Award from Purdue University, College of Liberal Arts (2006)
- Outstanding Educator Award from the American Foundation for Greek Language and Culture for enhancing Hellenic studies (2006).
- Meteor Award in recognition of support for enhancing status of women at the University of South Florida by Department of Women's Studies at Women of Color Conference, 2005.